The Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women's

Fifth Annual Unsung Heroines of Massachusetts

March 21, 2008

Ruth L. Tully

They don't make the news... they make the difference.

Dear Ms. Tully,

Congratulations! You have been selected by The Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women as the Dunstable community's Unsung Heroine of 2008. You were nominated for this honor by Sen. Steven C. Panagiotakos.

Our Unsung Heroines are women who don't make the news, but make the difference in their communities, businesses, or volunteer endeavors. The MCSW nomination review committee selected you because you are the woman in your community who quietly, without fanfare or recognition, uses your time, talent, spirit and enthusiasm to enrich the lives of others.

The MCSW plans to honor and celebrate you and the hundreds of other Unsung Heroines from across the Commonwealth at the 2008 Community Unsung Heroines Reception on Wednesday, May 14 at the Massachusetts State House. The event will be held from 1-4 p.m. with registration opening at noon. Please plan on arriving at the State House no later than 12:30 p.m. where you will be directed to the Gardner Auditorium. The ceremony will include a speaking program with a keynote address delivered by Attorney General Martha Coakley, certificate presentations, a collective photo of all Heroines in attendance and a "Just Desserts" reception featuring pastries from some of the best female pastry chefs in the state.

For a complete list of this year's Unsung Heroines and further event details, please visit our website at www.mass.gov/women. Check back often as we will update the site regularly.

We have enclosed two tickets for you and one guest to attend this event. Only ticket holders will be allowed to enter Gardner Auditorium. Please also note that the person who nominated you will also be provided with one event admission ticket. Please bring these tickets with you on the day of the event as they are your pass into the event. Capacity regulations at the State House are strict and we must adhere to the one guest per Heroine guidelines. Please RSVP your attendance no later than April 11th by e-mailing us at mcsw@state.ma.us or by phoning 617-626-6520.

In addition to your tickets please note that we have enclosed a template press release regarding the Unsung Heroines initiative for you to fill in and submit to your local newspaper if you so choose. However the MCSW will be doing its own media outreach and therefore the press may be in contact with you. If appropriate, you might also consider submitting the press release to your employer for inclusion in the company newsletter. As a memento of this very special occasion we will have a beautifully designed program book available for all in attendance. If your friends, relatives or employer are interested in purchasing an ad in your honor, please direct them to our website.

Again, congratulations and thank you for all of your special efforts to make the Commonwealth a better place to live and work. We look forward to meeting you on May 14th. Please note the spelling of your name at the top of this letter, if you would like your name to appear any differently than this in the program book and other event publications please contact our office immediately so we can make the corrections. Should you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the MCSW office at 617-626-6520 or refer to www.mass.gov/women.

Sincerely.

Chair, MCSW

ENC: Two Event Tickets, Press Release Template

Executive Director, MCSW

